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Re: Application of: **Michael KRAMER, et al.**  
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For: **REGULATORY PROTEIN PKE#83 FROM  
HUMAN KERATINOCYTES**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE  
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Sir:

This submission is in response to the Notification of Defective Response dated February 1, 2002, a copy of which is enclosed. Please amend the specifications as follows: